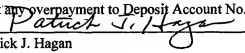


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Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a):

The undersigned hereby petitions for an extension of time of **two (2)** month beyond the time period set in the last Office Action. The Director is hereby authorized to charge the amount of \$245.00 to cover this fee. Please charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 04-1406.


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**AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR
RECONSIDERATION UNDER 37 CFR §1.111**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated September 3, 2008, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows: